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committee amendments are quite extensive and quite lengthy. It's quite difficult to read them. I have printed up here, and in my hand, an explanation of the amendments . . . and to actually become the bill. The bill in essence, and I will ask . . . I will yield to Senator Anderson as soon as I've explained these committee amendments. This bill was introduced by the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee. Senator Anderson will handle the bill. It's going to be necessary to explain the bill somewhat, as I've explained the amendments. Here they are according to the . . . what we're dealing with . . . anyone that has lifted or loses their drivers license because of the loss of points, 12 points, under this bill if it passes, will be issued a temporary license allowing him to drive to and from work under certain conditions. Now the committee tightened up this bill considerable. We felt that we were in support of the concept. Many, many that lose their drivers license find it absolutely necessary to use their automobile to go to and from work, which takes away the ability of this family to at least earn the livelihood to a serious extent. Now here's what the committee amendments do. According to the accepted amendments to 259 persons would be eligible for a limited drivers permit to operate a motorvehicle for transportation to and from their place of work and established residence, or for use during the course of business, if such use is essential to employment. If the persons drivers permit has been revoked or suspended for one or more of the following reasons: 1) refusal to submit to a chemical test for alcoholic content; 2) the accumulation of 12 or more points within a 2 year period; 3) operating a motor vehicle after a revocation of an operators license. Now under the amendments such employment driving permit shall be valid for the duration of the revocation or suspension, except . . . now this is an important point, that it may not be issued until 30 days after the date of such revocation or suspension. Now the use for such permits under the amendments for any purpose other than specified in this act shall constitute a misdemeanor. Upon conviction the defendant may be fined from \$100 to \$300 dollars. This tightens up if he's in violation. Furthermore, to apply for the unemployment . . . for the employment driving permit the applicant must complete forms provided by the Department of Motor Vehicles. Also he must furnish to the Department an affidavit from his employer stating that the applicant is required to operate a motor vehicle from his residence to place of employment and return. The affidavit must state that use of a motor vehicle is required by the applicant during his course of business. If this is indeed so, then, an affidavit stating that there is no reasonable alternative mode of transportation available, if the applicant is self-employed, an affidavit setting forth the provisions of his employment. To continue, upon application the applicant must certify he will complete . . . and this is important . . . within 60 days a drivers education course as provided in Section 39-669.27. If the course is not completed, as provided, the employment drivers permit must be surrendered. The applicant must provide proof of financial responsibility, this is important, as provided in Chapter 60, Article 7. Any person failing to surrender the permit, as required, shall be guilty, again, of misdemeanor and subject to the same penalty. Then very briefly, the last two provisions in the amendment: A fee of \$30 shall accompany the application for this permit.